

It's my understanding that the FCC Chairman intends to reverse net neutrality rules and put big Internet Service Providers in charge of the internet. I am firmly against this action. I believe that these ISPs will operate solely in their own interests and not in the interests of what is best for the American public. In the past 10 years, broadband companies have been guilty of: deliberately throttling internet traffic, squeezing customers with arbitrary data caps, misleading consumers about the meaning of "unlimited" internet, giving privileged treatment to companies they own, strong-arming cities to prevent them from giving their residents high-speed internet, and avoiding real competition at all costs. Consumers, small businesses, and all Americans deserve an open internet. So to restate my position: I am against the chairman's plan to reverse the net neutrality rules. I believe doing so will destroy a vital engine for innovation, growth, and communication.

The above statement has been submitted before, I just want to add the following:

It is absolutely reprehensible that Ajit Pai is trying to spin these proposals as good for the American populace. I can't believe he can keep a straight face. I can't believe the President appointed a lawyer for a telecom company into the position in the first place; but the fact remains that the man is in the position he is and is wildly abandoning his fiduciary duty to the American people in such a catastrophic way. Internet IS a utility. The monopoly that exists on it already is unfortunate but to allow and promote price gouging tactics should be an automatic disbarment.

If the plan is to purposefully stifle economic growth by holistically increasing necessary expenses from lower and middle class families, then yes, this would achieve that effect.

I want to include a myriad expletive comments, but that wouldn't benefit me or anyone.

All things considered, to whomever is reading this: have a good day. Even if you're Ajit Pai, have a good day. But I hope to never see any proposals become legislation that's net result is negative for me and people like me.

Take care,

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